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Map, left: Cornelis de Jode, Quivirae Regnu, 1593. This is the first map devoted exclusively to the West Coast of North America and is extremely rare. Map, above: Nicholas Sanson, Le Nouveau Mexique, et La Floride, 1656. Although not the first map to depict California as an island, this map was widely studied and copied throughout Europe. Map, below: Abraham Ortelius, Maris Pacifici, 1589. This map was devoted to the Pacific Ocean and depicts Ferdinand Magellan's flagship Victoria.

BY ELIZABETH CANDELARIO, EXHIBITION COORDINATOR

"Mapping the Pacific Coast," which showcases 45 magnificent maps, books and illustrations dated 1544 through 1802, represents a perfect exhibit for San Francisco Maritime. Inviting visitors on a voyage beginning with the very first exploration of the West Coast by Europeans, this world class exhibition represents the accumulation of knowledge leading to Thomas Jefferson's commission of Lewis and Clark's Corps of Discovery.

"Mapping the Pacific Coast" traces many of the greatest adventures in history, including dangerous ocean voyages by Spanish, French, English and Russian explorers, the race to discover the Northwest Passage, sightings of "sea monsters," and the very first contacts between native Americans and Europeans. Many of the documents included in the exhibition tell dramatic stories in their own right, with references to explorers such as Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, Sir Francis Drake, and Captain James Cook, all of whom left their mark on the Pacific Coast. These historic stories are told through original maps of the time and illustrations- the earliest being woodcuts and the majority being copperplate engravings, many in original hand color.

The later exhibition maps from the 18th century record explorations by fur traders along the West Coast and explorer Alexander Mackenzie's trek from the Atlantic to the Pacific ending in 1793. These journeys and the maps that display them helped convince President Thomas Jefferson to commission Lewis and Clark to explore the overland route to the West Coast and strengthen the American claim to the Pacific Northwest.

The exhibition is further enhanced by an audio tour of selected maps personally narrated by collector Henry Wendt. It is accompanied by a beautifully printed and illustrated catalog further describing each map and document in the exhibit.

"Mapping the Pacific Coast" first opened at the Sonoma County Museum in 2004, and has been on tour around the country. Other venues have included the Mystic Seaport Museum and the Maritime Museum of San Diego. Following its exhibition in San Francisco, it will move to the Columbia River Maritime Museum, its permanent home. Go to www.mappingthepacificcoast.com for additional information.

The exhibit is opening on July 1, 2011 in the Maritime Museum located at 900 Beach Street at the foot of Polk Street in San Francisco. The museum is free and open everyday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call 415-447-5000 for more information. The exhibit will close on October 31, 2011.



Welcome

You might be hard pressed to experience all we have to offer on a sevenday "boarding pass" this summer-but I encourage you to try! You could start on weekend mornings in the Argonaut Hotel lobby with a ranger-led waterfront walking tour that traces the area's history from the Gold Rush village to National Park.

If sailing sounds better than walking, our 1891 scow schooner Alma resumes her schedule of three-hour, ranger-led Bay explorations starting from Hyde Street Pier. We guarantee the best City and Golden Gate views from any sailing National Historic

Starting on July 1, you can discover "Mapping the Pacific Coast," a fascinating exhibit focusing on the 1544-1802 period of West Coast exploration. This colorful collection of woodcuts and copperplate engravings is presented free in the Maritime Museum's unique Prismatarium gal-

And for armchair explorers, the Maritime Library offers a refreshing dip into the ocean of recorded maritime culture. Our librarians will welcome you aboard Tuesday-Thursday afternoons in Fort Mason

Center's Building E. But beware, they just might shanghai you into a lifelong literary voyage!

Craig Kenkel Superintendent



1 Amazing Map Collection Visits Museum

"Mapping the Pacific Coast: Coronado to Lewis and Clark" exhibition opens in the Maritime Museum on July 1, 2011.

2 Park Acquires Historic Sailing Yacht

Forty-foot sloop yacht Kathleen joins the collection.

4 Activity Page For Kids

Compare and contrast two nautical charts of San Francisco Bay. If you were sailing through the Golden Gate which map would you use?

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San Francisco Maritime **National Historical Park**

Established in 1988, San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park encompasses 34 acres, and contains the most National Historic Landmarks of any unit in the National Park Service. In addition to the fleet of historic ships at Hyde Street Pier, the park includes the Aquatic Park Historic District (Maritime Museum, beach, lawn area, and bocce ball courts), a Visitor Center and a research library (in Fort Mason Center).

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The sloop yacht Kathleen sailing on San Francisco Bay in 1910. NPS Photo P83-019a.882g

The Sloop Yacht *Kathleen* Joins the Collection

BY STEPHEN CANRIGHT, PARK CURATOR, MARITIME HISTORY

The Park has recently accepted the donation of the forty-foot sloop Kathleen, built as a yacht near Fisherman's Wharf by Salvatore Pasquinucci in 1904. She is believed to be the second oldest yacht on San Francisco Bay. Owned initially by Corinthian Yacht Club member Frank Raymond, the *Kathleen* has spent 107 years as a pleasure boat on the Bay. She was owned since the 1960s by the Smith Family of Mill Valley, California, and was donated to the Park by Hap Smith.

Although built in the early 20th century, the Kathleen is a classic example of the 19th century American national yacht type. This type of centerboard sloop yacht was developed in New York City in the 1840s, the design evolving from local fishing boats noted for their speed under sail. As this class of boat was developed for racing and cruising, its popularity spread throughout the nation.

The design was characterized by a wide and shallow hull. Introduced to San Francisco Bay in the 1850s, the sloops worked well on the shallow waters of the Bay and Delta. The popularity of the sloop grew, as more prosperous urban yachtsmen cruised and raced the craft.

The most radical design of this type, seen mostly in New York, were called "sandbaggers." In their quest to go faster and win the race these boats flew enormous areas of sail on the relatively small and light hulls. Even in light winds, crews had to shift sandbags from one side to the other to keep the boat from capsizing.

Go Sailing On *Alma*

The San Francisco Yacht Club was established in the late 1860s and many of those

vachtsmen cruised and raced this class of

boat. The Kathleen was connected with several local yacht clubs over the years, including the Vallejo and Palo Alto clubs.

In the 1930s an engine was installed and

a ballast keel replaced the centerboard. Around 1960, her aging hull was sheathed

original hull has thus been hidden away,

The sloop has recently been hauled out of

the water and carefully cradled to retain

the shape of the hull. The sheathing will

be removed and the condition of her hull

on the findings, the hull will be restored

or replicated. In the future we anticipate that some of the restoration work will take

place in the Small Craft shed area on Hyde Street Pier, and hope to coordinate this

effort with the America's Cup race coming

to San Francisco Bay in 2013.

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in thin plywood and fiberglass. The

untouched, for more than fifty years.

Alma sails on San Francisco Bay during June, July, and August. Take in dazzling views of the city scape and the Golden Gate while park rangers tell stories about waterfront history.

Tickets prices are \$40 for adults, \$30 for seniors, and \$20 for children ages 6–15. Children age five and under ride for free. All children must be accompanied by an adult. The vessel departs promptly from Hyde Street Pier at 12:30 pm and returns at 4 pm. *Alma* sails June 4, 11, 25, 30; July 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30; August 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25.

For information, please call 415-447-5000. Go to www.nps.gov/safr/historyculture/ alma.htm to learn about *Alma*'s history.



First Bloom Garden Thrives



A year ago youngsters from the Willie Mays Boys and Girls Clubs of San Francisco designed and planted a California native plant garden in Aquatic Park. This is a photo of the garden this May!

Thanks to a grant from the National Park Foundation, we are hosting a First Bloom project to create native plant landscapes at the Park. Although this was the first First Bloom project at San Francisco Maritime, the program began in 2007. Since then it has blossomed into a national initiative at 26 parks across the country that serves children and families from urban neighborhoods.

We are now into our second year and this past February, fourth graders from Yick Wo Elementary School in San Francisco planted another garden adjacent to this one. Park employees, volunteers, students, chaperones, and parents have all pitched in to make this garden a success.

Visitor Information

Dates and Hours of Operation:

Hyde Street Pier, located at Hyde and Jefferson Streets, is open 9:30AM to 5:30. Last pier entry at 5_{PM}.

Visitor Center, located at the corner of Hyde and Jefferson Streets, is open 9:30AM to 5:30_{PM}.

Maritime Museum (in the Aquatic Park **Bathhouse Building)**, located on Beach Street at the foot of Polk Street. The building is open from 10AM to 4PM daily.

Maritime Library, located on the third floor of Building E in Fort Mason Center (auto entrance at Buchanan Street and Marina Blvd). The library is open Tuesday through Thursday, 1PM to 5PM. Visit www.nps. gov/safr/historyculture/museum-collections.htm or call 415-561-7030.

Contact Information

General Park Information: 415-447-5000 Pacific West Info Center: 415-447-0463 Maritime Store: 415-775-2665 USS Pampanito: 415-775-1943 Park Website: www.nps.gov/safr Association Website: www.maritime.org Library Friends: www.maritimelibraryfriends.org **Entrance Fee for Historic Vessels: \$5** Free for supervised children under 16. Free with Federal Interagency Annual, Senior, and Access Passes, and San Francisco Maritime NHP Annual Pass.

No-Fee Areas

Visitor Center, Hyde Street Pier, Museum **Building, Aquatic Park Historic Landmark** District, and the Maritime Library (Fort Mason Center).

Reservations

Reservations for school groups and other educational groups must be made at least two weeks prior to your visit, please call 415-292-6664.

Accessibility Information



Programs in the Visitor Center, on Hyde Street Pier, and in the library are accessible. Accessibility to programs on the ships varies. For detailed information, please call the Visitor Center, 415-447-5000, or http://www. nps.gov/safr/planyourvisit/accessibility.htm.

Permits

Special Use Permits require at least a one month notice and application. Filming permits are arranged on an individual basis, call 415-561-7170.

Music, Tours, Events, Lectures and Living History

Please turn to the back page for today's schedule.



NEW PROGRAM

HOUSEBOATING ON THE BAY Sundays, June 12, July 10, 3-3:45pm and Saturday, August 13, 1:15-2pm. At the ARK houseboat on Hyde Street Pier. Free. Meet a park ranger at the ARK houseboat to compare your vacations with those of a 1900s era houseboat family.

PROGRAMS

BIRDS OF THE BAY

Sundays, June 5, July 24, and August 14, 10-11_{AM}. Meet at the entrance to Hyde Street Pier. Free.

This is a walk for children and beginners, but all are welcome. We will view water, shore, citified, and migratory birds on this easy stroll. There will be a brief orientation to spotting birds, and to using guidebooks and binoculars. Dress in layers with sun hat and sunscreen. Bring your own guidebooks and binoculars if you have them.

ANIMALS OF HYDE STREET PIER June 18, 19, 20, July 3, 4, 17, 18 and August 4, 18, 19, 11AM. Meet at the end of Hyde Street Pier Free

Come experience a whole different world you might not realize exists at Hyde Street Pier. Times vary due to tides.

MARITIME STORY TIME: THE TALE OF HENRY AND HARRY

Saturdays, June 11 & 18, July 9, and August 6, 1-1:30_{PM}. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free. Ages 6-12.

Join in this fun-filled, interactive program about two stowaway kittens aboard the *Balclutha*. Find out what it was like to be a feline sailor in 1887.

CRAFTS FOR KIDS

Saturdays, June 25, July 30, and August 27, 3PM. Meet at the entrance to Hyde Street Pier. Free.

Want to learn a little about life at sea and try your hand at making a maritime craft? Come on down to the pier and join us!

HISTORIC WATERFRONT WALKING TOUR: FROM GOLD RUSH TO NATIONAL PARK Saturdays and Sundays, 10:30-11:30AM. Meet in the Argonaut Hotel lobby (495 Jefferson St.), next to the Visitor Center. Free. Stroll with a Park Ranger to discover the history of this vibrant area on this mile-long tour through the Aquatic Park Historic District, the Cannery, Hyde Street Pier, and "Fish Alley" at Fisherman's Wharf.

MARITIME MUSEUM

Open 10:00_{AM} to 4:00_{PM} daily. Located at 900 Beach Street, at the foot of Polk Street. Free. The newly restored 1939 Works Progress Administration-era building's lobby and veranda are open to the public. View the the unique architecture, stunning murals, sculpture, and temporary exhibits.

© FUN FOR FAMILIES PROGRAM

ADVENTURES AT SEA: LIFE ABOARD A 19TH CENTURY SAILING SHIP Daily, 2:15_{PM}. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Join a guided tour of the historic ship Balclutha. Discover the hardships and rewards of the sailors who fought for survival during the treacherous Cape Horn passage.

LIGHTHOUSES OF SAN FRANCISCO BAY Sundays, June 19, July 17, and August 21, 3:15PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free. Join Volunteer Warren Riley for a program on the role of lighthouses in the development of San Francisco. Learn about the history, equipment, and unique people who ran the lighthouses.

ALONG THE WATERFRONT

Sundays, June 19, July 17, and August 21, 1PM. Meet in the Visitor Center. Free.
Join Volunteer Warren Riley for an illustrated talk on changes to the San Francisco waterfront. Learn how historical events, such as the discovery of gold in 1848, contributed to the transformation of the waterfront over more than 100 years.

HERCULES ENGINEERING TOUR Sundays, June 26 and August 28, 3pm. Meet at the gangway on the Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Tour includes climbing moderately steep ladders and entering cramped spaces.

Explore the major engineering spaces and learn about steam engine technology and its effects on the working environment of the marine steam engineer.

EUREKA ENGINE ROOM TOUR

Sunday, July 31, 3-3:45pm. Meet on Eureka's gangway. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Tour includes climbing moderately steep ladders and entering cramped spaces. Take a special tour of the ferryboat Eureka's engine room and get a close-up look at what makes a steam ferry run.

SMALL CRAFT COLLECTION TOUR Saturdays, June 11, July 9, and August 13, 10:30_{AM}-12:00_{PM}. Free. Call 415-292-6664, or email mgardner@maritime.org, to make a reservation and for directions to the warehouse.

We'll tour the collection of nearly 100 historic boats, stored in a warehouse in Alameda, talking about history, design and construction. Bring a bag lunch.

TOUR OF THE WW II SUBMARINE USS *PAMPANITO*

Thursdays, June 9 & 23, July 14 & 28, and August 4 & 18, 2pm. Meet at the submarine located at Pier 45, Fisherman's Wharf. Call 415-775-1943 for ticket prices.

Join a park ranger for a tour of this Balaoclass submarine (SS-38). Now a museum and memorial, the vessel made six patrols in the Pacific during WWII. The tour will emphasize stories about dramatic events during those patrols.

MODEL MAKING WORKSHOP Saturday mornings, on Eureka. Vessel admission (under 16 free).

The Hyde Street Pier model-making shipwrights maintain a workshop on *Eureka*.



Stop by to talk with members and see their works-in-progress. Contact kanebulota@comcast.net for more information.

COSTUMED LIVING HISTORY

A DAY IN THE LIFE: 1901

Saturdays, June 11, July 9, and August 13, NOON-4PM. Aboard the historic vessels at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). Reservations are required, please call 415-447-5000.

Step into the past as you board the historic ships and meet the sailors and citizens of San Francisco's waterfront. Help the sailors on *Balclutha* raise the staysail and join the musical fun at the dogwatch. Visit the ship's cook in the galley, learn about life in 1901 from ferry passengers on *Eureka*, or join Mrs. Galan on the Ark houseboat for afternoon tea to discuss the issues of the day. In June, come hear notable figures of 1901 at a Chautauqua. In July, witness a dramatic re-creation of the 1901 labor strike that shook the San Francisco waterfront.

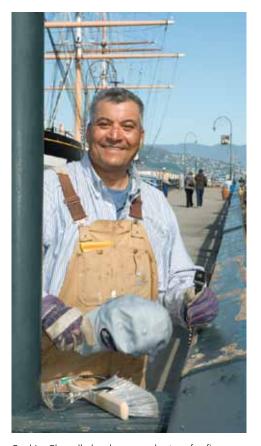
IN THE LIBRARY

The Maritime Library, located in Building E, Fort Mason Center, is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1pm to 5pm. Call 415-561-7030 and go to http://www.nps.gov/safr/historyculture/muse-um-collections.htm for more information.

VOLUNTEERING AT SAN FRANCISCO MARITIME

Have you thought about volunteering? Retired, and enjoy talking with people from all over the world in a beautiful setting? A recent grad looking for some onthe-job experience? In school and looking for some meaningful community service opportunities?

People of all ages and interests volunteer at the park. Sign up to receive the new *Volunteer Newsletter* and find out about summer volunteer events. Call Terry or Darren in the Volunteer Office, located on Hyde Street Pier, to receive a copy, 415-561-7160. After reading it you will know what a baggywinkle is, what kind of stone to scrub a wooden deck with, and which way to go on a ship when the captain yells "abaft!"



Paul La Chapelle has been a volunteer for five years. Here he is scraping the railings on Hyde Street Pier before he applies a fresh coat of paint.



MUSIC

CHANTEY SING

Saturdays, June 4, July 2, and August 6, 8PM-MIDNIGHT. Free. Aboard a historic vessel at Hyde Street Pier. Reservations are required: call 415-561-7171 or email peter_kasin@nps.gov.

Sing traditional working songs aboard a historic floating vessel. Bring a mug for hot cider served from the ship's galley.

MUSIC OF THE SEA FOR KIDS

Saturdays, June 18, July 16 and August 20, 3_{PM}. Aboard Balclutha at Hyde Street Pier. Vessel admission (under 16 free). History comes alive for kids in this special program, where the songs are geared for younger ears and chosen especially for fun. Ages 7 and up. ©

23rd Sea Music Concert Series 2011

Yes, it's true! The Sea Music Concert Series returns for another season this fall aboard the historic ships at Hyde Street Pier.

Start looking forward to lively, foot-tapping, seafaring musical experiences this September 24 with *The Cutters*, October 15 features *David Coffin*, and local favorites *Holdstock and Macleod* return November 19

Call the Visitor Center information desk for ticket information, 415-447-5000.



Friends of the San Francisco Maritime Museum Library Join the Friends and help support the J. Porter Shaw Library at San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park. Membership includes reduced admission to Friends' events, free admission to the historic ships, and discounts on books purchased at the library and The Maritime Store on Hyde Street Pier. Call 415-561-7040.

Today In The Park

For more information about these programs, please turn to page three.

JUNE

- Guided Tour of *Balclutha* (daily)
- Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Saturday) First Alma Sail of the Season **Chantey Sing** Hyde Street Pier Model Shop Open (every Saturday)
- Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Sunday) Birds Of The Bay
- USS Pampanito Tour
- 11 Small Craft Collection Tour Costumed Living History On The Pier Maritime Story Time King Kamehameha Day Celebration
 - Houseboating On The Bay
- 18 Animals of Hyde Street Pier

- Maritime Story Time Music of the Sea for Kids
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier Along The Waterfront Lighthouses of SF Bay
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- Fee Free Day
- USS Pampanito Tour 23
- Crafts For Kids
- Hercules Engineering Tour

JULY

- Guided Tour of Balclutha (daily) Eureka Engine Room Tour
- Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Saturday) Chantey Sing Hyde Street Pier Model Shop Open
- (every Saturday) Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Sunday)
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- Fourth of July, Park Open

- Animals of Hyde Street Pier Small Craft Collection Tour Costumed Living History On The Pier
- Maritime Story Time Houseboating On The Bay
- USS Pampanito Tour
- Music of the Sea for Kids 16
- 17 Animals of Hyde Street Pier Along The Waterfront Lighthouses of SF Bay
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- Birds Of The Bay
- USS Pampanito Tour 28
- 30 Crafts For Kids
- 31 Eureka Engine Room Tour

AUGUST

- Guided Tour of Balclutha (daily)
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier USS Pampanito Tour
- Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Saturday) Maritime Story Time

- Chantey Sing Hyde Street Pier Model Shop Open (every Saturday)
- Historic Waterfront Walking Tour (every Sunday)
- Small Craft Collection Tour Costumed Living History On The Pier Houseboating On The Bay
- Birds Of The Bay
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier USS Pampanito Tour
- Animals of Hyde Street Pier
- 20 Music of the Sea for Kids
- Along The Waterfront Lighthouses of SF Bay
- Crafts For Kids
- Hercules Engineering Tour



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Park Website: www.nps.gov/safr

Activity Page For Kids

Compare and Contrast

Here are two small sections of nautical charts showing the entrance to San Francisco Bay. The one on the bottom was published in 1983, 100 years after the one on the top. Of course maps and charts of the same place change over time. Did you see the map on the first page that shows California as an island? Back in the 1600s that was what map makers believed was true. That mistake persisted on some maps for almost 200 years!

Do you use maps? Have you ever drawn a map of your house or bedroom? Have you ever used a treasure map and found where X marked the spot? You might even be holding a small rectangle in your hand that can connect you to a digital map of anywhere in the world. Maps are made to serve different purposes. These charts were drawn to assist mariners piloting their craft in the waters around San Francisco.

A quick look at these two charts suggests that they look pretty similar, but look closely. See if you can spot at least ten differences.

in 1983 version. Words (place names) used to label things are easier to read are in fathoms and in the modern-day chart they are in feet. the water areas indicate water depth; in the 1883 chart they landforms are symbolized on the maps. Little numbers in SF. A funnel under the Bay (the tube for BART). The way rows. Changes to the northern and eastern shoreline of Yerba Buena Island. Shipping lanes and directional ar-Bay Bridge (built in the 1930s). Treasure Island north of Some things you might have noticed: The Golden Gate and

